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Mail Stop Patent Application  
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Re: Utility Patent Application Transmittal  
U.S. Patent Application Ser. No. (not assigned)  
National Phase of PCT/EP2005/003166  
Inventors: Sick et al.  
Title: *Tamping Device*  
Assignee: Wacker Construction Equipment AG  
Customer Account No.: **23598**  
Our Ref: 72.112

Dear Sir:

Enclosed in connection with the above-identified national phase patent application are:

- the national phase application, consisting of:
  - 13 pages of specification,
  - 18 claims on 3 sheets, and
  - 7 Drawings on 5 sheets;
- Application Data Sheet;
- a Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) Concerning a Submission Under 35 U.S.C. 371;
- a Preliminary Amendment (1) entering amendments made to the international application under Article 34, (2) submitting a substitute specification in which the application is amended to incorporate the amendments made under Article 34 and to insert the required headings, (3) amending the claims without narrowing the claims and without adding new matter, (4) eliminating multiple dependencies and otherwise placing the claims into conformance with preferred USPTO practice, and (5) adding an Abstract. Please enter the Preliminary Amendment before determining the filing fees; and

- an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS), Form PTO-1449, and a copy of the cited documents.

**Documents to Follow:**

- an executed Declaration; and
- an Appointment of Domestic Representative.

**Applicant(s):**

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**Assignment for Published Application:**

Wacker Construction Equipment AG

**Power of Attorney:**

Those attorneys associated with Customer Account No. **23598**.

**Small Entity Statement:**

Not applicable.

**Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant:**

This application is a 371 of **PCT/EP2005/003166**; filed **24 March 2005**  
(24.03.2005).

**Foreign Application(s):**

German Appl. Ser. No. **10 2004 014 750.7**; filed **25 March 2004 (25.03.2004)**

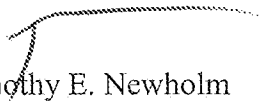
**Non-Publication Request:**

Not applicable.

**Deposit Account Authorization**

The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1170.

Respectfully submitted,



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Enclosures

<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 72.112 U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5)
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP2005/003166	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 24 March 2005	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 25 March 2004
TITLE OF INVENTION <i>Tamping Device</i>		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Sick et al.		
<p>Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>3. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371 (f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.</li> <li>4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31).</li> <li>5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2))             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</li> </ol> </li> <li>6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)).             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> </ol> </li> <li>7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</li> <li>d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li> </ol> </li> <li>8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). <b>(Appendix C)</b></li> <li>9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).</li> <li>10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).</li> </ol> <p><b>Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</li> <li>12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</li> <li>13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.</li> <li>14. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.</li> <li>15. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. <b>(Appendix A – clean version; Appendix B – marked up version)</b></li> <li>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.</li> <li>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 – 1.825.</li> <li>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> </ol>		

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U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5)	INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP2005/003166	ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 72.112
20. Other items or information: <b>Appointment of Domestic Representative</b>		
The following fees have been submitted		<b>CALCULATIONS</b> <b>PTO USE ONLY</b>
21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Basic national fee (37 CFR 1.492(a))	\$300	\$ 300
22. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examination fee (37 CFR 1.492(c)) If the written opinion prepared by ISA/US or the international preliminary examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of the PCT Article 33(1)-(4) . . . . . All other situations . . . . .	\$0 \$200	\$ 200
23. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Search fee (37 CFR 1.492(b)) If the written opinion of the ISA/US or the international preliminary examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of the PCT Article 33(1)-(4) . . . . . Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority . . . . . International Search Report prepared by an ISA other than the US and provided to the Office or previously communicated to the US by the IB. . . . . All other situations . . . . .	\$0 \$100 \$400 \$500	\$ 400
<b>TOTAL OF 21, 22 and 23 =</b>		<b>\$ 900</b>
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<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>		<b>\$ 900</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by 1/2.		\$ 900
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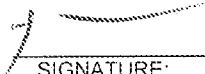
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